Performance of PMGSY

575. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is running behind schedule;

(b) if so, the percentage of targeted works completed with percentage of funds spent so far;

(c) what has been the performance in Jharkhand in this regard;

(d) the reasons for delay in the completion of projects as per schedule;

(e) whether the National Rural Roads Development Agency (NRRDA) has temporarily freezed the release of fund for States; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), out of 1,36,454 eligible habitations, projects have been sanctioned for 95,081(70%) habitations and 64,302 (47%) habitations have been connected till September, 2009. The value of sanctioned projects is Rs. 1,11,362 crore out of which Rs.54,976 crore has been spent till September, 2009. The percentage of expenditure is 42%.

(c) In Jharkhand, the number of eligible habitations to be connected under PMGSY is 7770. Out of this projects for connecting 3,947 have been sanctioned by the Government and 1,539 have been connected with all weather roads till September, 2009. The Ministry of Rural Development has sanctioned 1,930 road works having length of 9190.88 km. The value of the sanctioned projects is Rs,2385.85 crore. Till September, 2009, the State Government has constructed 3,869 Km roads and spent
Rs. 903 crore.

(d) Some of the reasons for delay in completion of works are as under:

(i) Inadequate institutional capacity in some of the States.

(ii) Limited contracting capacity in some States

(iii) Non-availability of adequate qualified technical personnel including engineers with contractors.

(iv) Inadequate delegation of financial power to the SRRDA and the PIUs causing delay in the award of Projects.

(v) Unfavorable weather conditions *i.e.* very long rainy season/flood have adversely affected the implementation of PMGSY projects in some of the States.

(vi) Non availability of sufficient number of basic road making equipments such as road roller, crushing plants, dumper/dipper etc. in some areas.

(vii) Non availability of land and delay in forest clearance for the land required in construction of roads.

(viii) Law and order problems in some parts of the country.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.

Misuse of funds in NREGS

576. SHRI KANJIBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of cases of the misuse of funds of National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS) noticed in last year and also current year; and

(b) the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRADEEP JAIN): (a) 242 cases of misuse of funds have been received in this Ministry in the last year and during current year so far. State-wise number of cases received is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) Implementation of NREGA is done by State Governments. All complaints received in the Ministry are referred to the concerned State Governments for taking appropriate action in accordance with the provisions of the Act. Enquiry is conducted by the Ministry for serious complaints through National Level Monitors and reports are sent to the State Governments for necessary action.

Statement

Details of cases of misuse of funds in NREGS

Sl.No.	State	No. of complaints relating to misappropriation/ misuse of funds
1	2	3
1	Andhra Pradesh	2
2	Assam	4
3	Bihar	22
4	Chhattisgarh	6
5	Gujarat	2
6	Himachal Pradesh	2
7	Haryana	9
8	Jharkhand	13
9	Karnataka	2